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August 25, 2003

Date

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 8, 2003 (Paper No. 6), Applicants respond as follows:

Applicant elects Group I (Claims 2, 7, 9, 10, 15, 21, 25) with traverse. Applicant traverses the restriction requirement and reserves the right to reinstate the non-elected Claims in the application. The Patent Office is reminded of MPEP 809, according to which the linking claims 1, 8, 14, 20 must be examined with the invention elected, and should any linking claim be allowed, the restriction requirement must be withdrawn.

A one month extension of time to submit this response is respectfully requested.
Applicant hereby authorizes payment of such fee from Deposit Account No. 502233.

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Respectfully submitted,

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